

THE ORDER ISSUED

President McKinley Makes the Long-Expected Change in the Civil Service Rule.

MANY PLACES FOR THE FAITHFUL

The Order of 1896 Resulted in Much Embarrassment and Friction, and Irritating Delays.

The Change is Necessary to Meet the New Conditions That Are Arising in the Public Service—About Four Thousand Places Affected.

WASHINGTON, May 30.—The president Monday morning issued the long-delayed order changing the civil service rules. The following statement was given out with the order:

"At the time of the issuance of the civil service order of 1896, bringing into the classified service practically the whole of the executive service heretofore not classified, there was a widespread belief that the order had gone too far and covered many places that it would be found impractical to deal with in the civil service rules. The experience of the last three years has shown this feeling to have been well founded."

"The order to enforce the civil service rules in connection with many of these places has resulted in much friction and embarrassing and irritating delays, harmful to the service. In order, as far as possible and necessary, to remove these causes of friction and delay and to promote efficient and harmonious administration, certain amendments to the civil service rule have been thought necessary."

"A few of the amendments have no reference to the extension of the classification made in 1896 and are such as are necessary to meet the new conditions that are constantly arising in the public service. Some places, specifically enumerated in Rule 6, have been taken from the competitive examination and placed in the class excepted from examination. Other places in various branches of the service have been removed from the classification of rules, but not from the classification."

"These places are enumerated in rule 3. Among them are those of pension examining surgeons, Indians employed in the Indian service, not connected with the Indian school service, and in many places in the engineer department at-large, the quartermaster department at-large, the subsistence department at-large and the war war department, and all the war department. With reference to these places in the outside war department service, it is provided that they shall be subject to regulations to be prescribed by the secretary of war and approved by the president, thus placing those branches of the service on substantially the same basis as the navy yard service."

"One of the amendments goes for their service a more uniform, efficient and satisfactory administration of the system of appointments established by the civil service law."

"Rule 6, as amended, exempts from examination the following: Executive office and executive departments—not exceeding two private secretaries or confidential clerks to the president, and the head of each of the eight executive departments; one private secretary to each head of each of the eight executive departments; heads of bureaus; all persons appointed by the president without confirmation by the senate; attorneys, assistant attorneys, and special assistant attorneys."

"Among those exempt in the treasury department are: Officer in charge of the bureau of statistics, all ship commissioners, one chief deputy, or assistant collector, one collector, one deputy chief collector and deputy surveyor of customs; each port where authorized by law. All deputy collectors of internal revenue, stockkeepers and gaugers whose aggregate compensation shall not exceed \$500 per annum."

"In the department of justice: Wardeens, chaplains and physicians in the United States penitentiaries or prisons, one private secretary to each United States district attorney and examiners and examiners."

"A number of minor places in the interior and post office departments are also exempt."

"Persons who served in the war with Spain will be placed at the head of the proper register on the same footing with union veterans of the civil war."

About 4,000 places are affected.

Gen. Heath Dangerous Ill.

WASHINGTON, May 30.—Gen. Henry Heath, the well known confederate officer, is lying very low at his home in this city. He has never recovered from an old attack of the grip and other complications have set in. Gen. Heath, next to Gen. Longstreet, is the oldest surviving confederate general.

The Wilmington Will Die at Rio. Washington, May 30.—The Wilmington will die at Rio. The city will then be a Vice-royal from Key West for bluebloods. The Montgomerie has arrived at Pernambuco. The Marquis has been ordered north from Port of Spain, Trinidad.

WIND AND RAIN STORM.

Considerable Damage to Property in Pittsburgh. Bat Run Patients—A School Girl Struck by a Live Wire.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., May 30.—A terrific wind and rain storm passed over this section of the state, doing considerable money damage, but no fatalities resulted. Only one person was injured, Annie Sullivan, a 10-year-old girl, who was on her way home from school. She was struck by a live telephone wire heavily charged by a cross with electric light wires. The wire caught her across the throat and burned into the flesh from ear to ear. The physician Monday night says she has a chance of recovery. The Miller street schoolhouse in Minersville was unseated.

The roof of A. Warmcastle's livery stable in the east end was blown off and the entire system of telephone, telegraph and trolley circuits was prostrated delaying street car traffic for three hours. The east end electric light plant was partially wrecked, resulting in the machinery being stopped for the night leaving the east end in almost total darkness.

SEVERE STORM AT BUFFALO.

Several Persons Were Injured, Some Fatally, and Property Damaged—Many Houses Struck by Lightning.

BUFFALO, N. Y., May 30.—A severe rain and windstorm passed over Buffalo and vicinity Monday afternoon causing damage to property and injury to a number of people. In the city the 90-foot smoke stack at the works of the Buffalo Cast Iron Pipe Co. was blown down.

The roof of all the foundry buildings, Andrew Reidle and Valentine Hahn, workers in the foundry, were probably fatally injured and 30 others were slightly hurt. At Lockport the grand stand at the Lake Avenue grounds was wrecked. Daniel Tothill, 14 years old, was fatally injured and two other boys, named Albert Murphy and Sharkey, painfully injured.

Reports from Tonawanda, Jamestown and other places are out much damage in the form of trees and outbuildings blown down, windows blown in and signs torn down. Many houses were struck by lightning in outlying districts.

BEFORE HER CHILDREN.

Widow Clarke Committed Suicide by Cutting Her Throat With a Razor—Her Head Almost Severed.

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., May 30.—At Hix Springs, Tenn., Mrs. Sarah Clarke a widow, committed suicide by cutting her throat with a sharp razor. She almost severed her head from her shoulders. The awful deed was committed at the home of her daughter, in front of a mirror and in the presence of two small children. Mrs. Clarke had been demented for some time.

Some months ago a traveling evangelist preached in her neighborhood and she became so greatly tormented up that she lost her reason. She recently poisoned several members of her family, that they might join her late lamented husband in heaven.

DREYFUS HEARING BEGUN.

Good Prospects of the Union of Devil's Island Receiving a New Trial—Unveiled the Palace of Justice.

PARIS, May 30.—The hearing in the Dreyfus case began yesterday.

Any sign of guards surrounded the palace of justice, warned by the threatened aspect in the streets, where plots followed the sessions of the courts.

The prospects are very favorable for Dreyfus in receiving a rehearing of the charges brought against him.

The court adjourned at 6:30, when very few of the public yet remained in the vicinity. The republican guards immediately returned to barracks and the cordon of police was dispersed.

Cruiser Reina Mercedes Leaves for Pernambuco.

NEW ORLEANS, May 30.—The cruiser New Orleans left here Monday evening for Pernambuco. She devoted the day to coaling, receiving no visitors, but the harbor broke loose in a fierce demonstration.

A General Strike.

PARIS, May 30.—A general strike has passed across the entire length of the Seine, and in the villages of Louveciennes, in the department of Seine et Oise, and in nearly all the factories east and west of Paris has been suspended. The strike has been suspended. Four thousand

tramps and cattle drivers.

CEMETERY BURNED, May 30.—A general strike has passed across Champaign county from the west to the east at 2:30 o'clock Monday afternoon. The storm cloud struck on a ridge five miles south of this city doing slight damage and then rebounded into the air. It was seen 25 miles to the east, several hundred feet in air and was separating.

The clouds followed by a terrific wind, which did great damage in the vicinity of Romeo and Sidon. At Sidney hundred of windows were shattered in by the large hailstones. The hill did much damage to the growing corn.

A \$50,000 Barn Burned.

NEW YORK, May 30.—Lightning struck the large stock barn of Adrienne Jones, Jr., at Scarsdale, N. Y., and the building was burned with its valuable contents. Loss \$50,000.

Granted an Audience by the Emperor.

PEKING, May 30.—M. Pichon, French minister to China, and his staff, were granted an audience of the emperor Monday and presented to his majesty a letter from President Loubet.

May Be Transferred to Springfield.

TOLEDO, O., May 30.—The Dayton ball team will probably be transferred to Springfield in the near future. Lack of support is the cause of the change.

NEBRASKA STORM

It Was More Disastrous and More Widely Spread Than at First Reported.

HAILESTONES AND A CLOUDBURST.

Small Grain Nearly All Destroyed and Fruit Ruined in Five Counties in the State.

Considerable Stone Was Drowned by the Cloudburst in Cedar County—Much Farm Property Was Destroyed—Storms in Other Sections.

OMAHA, Neb., May 30.—Additional reports received Monday show that Sunday's storm in Nebraska was more widespread and more destructive than at first reported. Several hailstorms hit five counties in the south central part of the state, namely Adams, Clay, Fillmore, Saline and Gage, while in Cedar county in the extreme northwest part of the state, a cloudburst did an immense amount of damage. In the counties hit by the hail small grain is nearly all destroyed and fruit ruined while the hail has caused houses to make quite a respectable shambles.

The cloudburst in Cedar county is described in a special to the *Lee*, from Hartington, as follows:

Sunday night a cloudburst visited the northeast part of the county, thoroughly deluging the country, flooding houses, sweeping away barns and outbuildings, and drowning considerable stock. Every bridge on East Bowery, from its source to the Missouri river, was washed away. The rain was very heavy. During the storm at Gering, a number of keepers saw the deed, but was too late to prevent it, and as he reached the woman she fell dead.

THE OLD VETERAN AND THE NEW.

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HE WAS ELECTROCUTED.

Wife—Murderer Adrian Braun Pays the Penalty for Sing Sing—He Was pronounced Dead in One Minute.

A scene was created by Braun in the death chamber. After he had been seated in the chair and the attendants were adjusting his face mask, he raised his right hand, apparently as a signal to stop the proceedings.

The warden's assistants paused, while Braun, his whole frame quivering, slowly said:

"Jesus, for you I lived."

"Jesus, for you I die."

"Jesus, you are mine in life and death."

As he said the last word Braun's head dropped forward on his breast and he heaved a deep sigh. The attendants then completed the adjustment of the electrodes and in a few seconds the murderer was dead.

Braun was a large, muscular man and his wife an undersized, frail creature, the mother of two children. Braun was known in the neighborhood as a wife-beater. After years of abuse friends of his wife interfered and caused his arrest and he was sent to prison for 10 years, August 31, 1897. Mrs. Braun earned a living for her children by washing.

May 31, 1898, she went to Sing Sing to visit her husband, taking with her a basket of delicacies. Braun was at work peeling potatoes when his wife arrived at the prison. He slipped the sharp-pointed knife into his pocket and greeted her lovingly. As they were about to separate, Braun, while in the act of embracing his wife, slipped the pocket-knife into her breast and thrust several times. One of the keepers saw the deed, but was too late to prevent it, and as he reached the woman she fell dead.

Maysville, WED. MAY 31

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Two performances daily. Main show doors open at 1 and 7 p.m. Free exhibition at the Circus Grounds immediately after Parade and at 6:30 p.m. One admission ticket admits to all.

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The newspaper journal containing an account of the events which led to Lieutenant Governor Worthington during Governor Bradley's two weeks' absence from the state house that forty convicts were pardoned.

I consider it not only a pleasure, but a duty, to inform my neighbors to tell about the wonderful effects of the new Choctaw & Choctawhatchie Remedy. I was taken very badly with flux and suffered a bout of this remedy. A few doses of it effected a permanent cure. I take it now as a preventive. It is a sure remedy from that dreadful disease! — J. W. LYNCH, Dorr, W. Va. This remedy is sold by J. Jas. Wood & Son, Druggists.

FLOTSAM—JETSAM—LIGAN!

NEWS NOTES FROM NATURE'S GREAT HIGHWAY.



The Uncle Sam passed up light for Powerry. The Urania will be the Powerry packet to-night.

Henry H. M. Stanley passed up last night for Powerry.

The Auntian with a tow of empties passed up for Pittsburgh.

The Keystone State from Pittsburgh will be down to-morrow night.

The independent Kanawha river packet Avon passed down yesterday afternoon for Cincinnati.

The Queen City was down last night from Pittsburgh with a nice load, and will return to-morrow.

The river continues to fall, and at the rate it has been going down the past few days will assume the packet idea of trouble.

The transports, the new towboat being built for the Pittsburgh Transportation Company, will reach the Ohio at the Elizabeth Furnaces in a few weeks.

It is said that the ironmen who did not offer an objection to the erection of the proposed bridge across the Ohio at Newburgh, and who were to be paid for the bridge, will be seated at the foot of the trap, outside of the channel, and they will in no way interfere with navigation. The main trap, it is said, will be set at the mouth of the Ohio.

In 1856 there were seventy-six steamboats which made Louisville their home port, their total tonnage having amounted to 1,022.

During that year there were forty steamboats in the Ohio river, having a tonnage of 1,000.

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